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## RECORD OF DEATHS.

### Short Sketches of the Lives of Persons Who Have Recently Passed Away.

**MRS. HARRIET LODGE TRUAX.**  
Mrs. Harriet Lodge Truax, widow of Rev. Job Truax, died at her home in Hollidaysburg, Pa., on Thursday, October 4, 1917 aged 75 years, 3 months and 3 days. She was born in this county and was a daughter of the late Colonel William and Harriet L. Bishop. She was also a daughter of the Revolution, as her grandfather had served with distinction in the war.

The deceased was married at Warfordsburg on the 13th of April, 1862 to Rev. Job Truax, a Methodist minister who died in Hollidaysburg April 19, 1903. She and her husband went to Hollidaysburg to reside in 1900 and spent the remainder of their lives in that town.

Of Mrs. Truax, the Altoona Tribune, says she was a noble Christian woman, kind and loving wife and mother, who was greatly beloved by all who knew her for her kindly, gentle disposition and many other excellent traits. She became affiliated with the Methodist church when only 13 years old and joined the local church when coming to Hollidaysburg to reside. She was one of the most ardent and faithful Christian workers of the town, ever laboring patiently in the vineyard of her Master whom she loved so well. For nine years she was superintendent of the Blair County Sunday School association. She was teacher of a class of women in the Methodist Sunday school for 12 years, and up until her serious illness still taught a number of married women, who rendered her class a number of years ago when young girls.

She exerted a marked influence for good wherever she went and her uplifting, benignant spirit will be greatly missed by all those with whom she came in contact. The following sons and daughters survive her: Charles A., of Windber; Mrs. Winifred Allport, of Norwich, Conn.; Ernest Bell, of Altoona; Benjamin B., of Altoona; Marshall M., of Somerset; Jennie Regeutto, of Girard; Miss Mildred M. and Master M. at home. She is also survived by one sister Mrs. Winifred Cook, of Beaver Falls and 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

**JOHN C. TICE.**  
John C. Tice, for many years president of Knobsville and one of the township's well known and highly respected citizens, died at the home of his daughter Mrs. O. D. Collins in Sandusky, on Thursday, October 4, 1917 aged 77 years, 7 months and 18 days. He is survived by his wife Mrs. C. Tice (nee Melius) and by four daughters and one son, namely, Mrs. Wm. Daughenbaugh, of Altoona, Pa.; Mrs. J. H. Folk and Mrs. Orin Harrier, Altoona, Pa.; Mrs. O. D. Collins, Sandusky, O., and Charles E. Tice, Shade Gap.

His funeral took place on the morning Monday, and he was buried at Sandusky. The deceased was born in Todd township, this county, and was the son of George K. and Elizabeth Tice, who owned and operated the farm now owned by Mrs. Gress.

Last February he left his home at Knobsville and went to Altoona where he stayed with his children until May, when he went to Sandusky. His brother, George W. Tice, was the only survivor of his family.

**MISS ARLENE DAWNEY.**  
Miss Arlene, daughter of Mrs. C. and Cora Estella Davis, died at the home of her mother, 5247 Jefferson St., Philadelphia, on Wednesday of last week, aged about 24 years. Miss Dawney was an efficient stenographer in the employ of the Curtis Publishing Company until last May when her health began to fail and she later went to the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Sipe, in Wells Valley in the hope that she might regain strength. She and her friends were doomed to disappointment, however, and she went back to the City. Tuberculosis had fastened itself upon the promising young life, and in spite of everything to be done by loving parents with the aid of skilled physicians, she quietly passed away.

Miss Arlene was a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a leading worker in the Sabbath school and in other organizations of the church. The parents and her sisters have the deepest sympathy of their many Fulton County friends in this sad bereavement.

## John Yeager in Jail.

Owing to continued brutal treatment, Mrs. John Yeager living on a farm a short distance north of Fort Loudon, swore out a warrant last Friday that landed the gentleman in to the Franklin county jail. John is a bad husband when he is drunk, and a few weeks ago, to escape his abuse, she came to McConnellsburg and secured a position as cook at the City Hotel. John came over one day, went out into the kitchen at the hotel and began to abuse his wife, whereupon Landlord Harry Hamil took him by the nape of the neck and the seat of his pants and threw him out over the railing into the street.

For reasons best known to herself, Mrs. Yeager returned to her home. It was reported a few days ago that John had again beaten her and left her in a cornfield to perish, but this story is without foundation, excepting the fact that she had been obliged to go away to find a quiet place to give premature birth—owing to her husbands cruel treatment—to twins.

## New Red Cross Members.

Since the last list was published, the following members have been added to the Wells Valley Red Cross Auxiliary: Aramintha Duvall, Dewey Sprowl, Alice Bridenstine, Mary Denisar, Mrs. J. C. Kirk, Mrs. M. Guillard, Mrs. H. S. Baumgardner, Mrs. S. C. Denisar, Mrs. A. S. Greenland, A. S. Greenland, Jesse Barnett, Mrs. James Lamberson, Mary Moseby, Howard Horton, Mrs. Jane Warsing, James B. Horton, Leroy Bivens, W. E. Batdorff, Mrs. H. E. Batdorff, Mrs. C. F. Stunkard, Fred Romig, Roy Foreman.

To the Taylor township Auxiliary there have been added the following members: George De-shong, Virgie Mathias, Sadie Fields, Clo Chesnut, Mrs. M. E. French, Mrs. Cab Henry, Mrs. Jeanett Henry, Mrs. John Glad-felter, Luther Grove.

## Bank Officials.

Hon. S. W. Kirk who has been a director in the First National Bank since its organization, has resigned from the Board of that institution and has been appointed a Director and Vice President of the Fulton County Bank.

John R. Jackson, Esq., who has been acting solicitor of the Fulton County Bank for some time has now been appointed to that office.

The total resources of this old established financial institution have grown to \$540,000.00 with a Capital, Surplus and Profit Fund of more than \$90,000.00.

## Mellott-Crouse.

Mr. Lloyd Mellott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob W. Mellott, and Miss Ruth Crouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin C. Crouse, were married at Hagerstown on Thursday of last week. Next spring the newly wedded couple will take charge of the Daniel E. Fore farm, now owned by the groom's father.

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## CAMP LEE, OCTOBER NTH.

Extract from a Letter from John B. Everts and Alonzo V. Funk, of Thompson Township.

After the shocking accident that happened to little Bobbie Cunningham just as we were leaving McConnellsburg on the 5th of October, we reached camp without a single mishap. When we reached Harrisburg, we were joined by a bunch of boys from western Pennsylvania, and at Washington Junction, by still another lot, which swelled our number to 944 men and made a train of 23 coaches. Our train attracted the attention of crowds of people at all the stations along the line to the point of our destination. We reached Camp Lee about 3 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, and on Monday we were marched to the field and got our first lessons in military training.

The Fulton County boys are "sure some jolly bunch" and seem to be enjoying camp life.

By-the-way, it may not be amiss to say to those who may be drawn later and sent to camp, that it will be a good thing to bring with them two suits of underwear, two pairs of socks, plenty of towels and handkerchiefs, and a fully equipped kit containing tooth brush, tooth paste, shaving soap, wash rags, etc. Our address is—52nd Co., 13th Bt., Dpt-Br., Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.

## Nice Trip to Gettysburg.

In spite of the "frost upon the pumpkin and the morning's chilling air" two carloads of Back Valley people started out last Sunday for a trip to Pennsylvania's famous battlefield.

We followed the National Pike through Hancock, Clearspring to Hagerstown. After having taken in some of the sights in Hagerstown, we proceeded towards Gettysburg passing through Waynesboro and other towns.

After reaching the Great Battlefield, we ate our dinner in true picnic style, and started out with a keen eye for seeing the sights.

One was the soldiers camps. We were told that 20,000 soldiers were encamped there. Indeed, everywhere we looked we saw Uncle Sam's young men. We gave apples to them until our supply ran out, for which they seemed grateful.

If there is any patriotism in you, surely this place will arouse it.

We were up in some high towers—one of which was on the summit of Little Round Top. We pushed up Little Round Top with unflagging energy and kept climbing until we reached the top of the tower where we had a grand view.

The Jennie Wade house, the Cemetery and the Devils Den were other places of interest.

We saw many cannon, but have a curiosity now to compare the guns of '61 with those of 1917.

We returned via Seven Stars, McKnightstown, Fayetteville, Chambersburg, St. Thomas, Fort Loudon, McConnellsburg—thence southward across little Fulton to our respective homes near the Mason and Dixon line.

The journey counted 175 miles by the speedometer.

We had some very good, and some very bad, road; but our cars whizzed on just the same. We had a good crowd, a good time, and good cars. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stoner, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Stoner, and daughters Mildred and Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert B. Mellott, John Hoopingardner, Mrs. George Hoopingardner, Mrs. Clem Lehman, and Misses Jessie Hoopingardner, Celestia Norris, Lily Ritz, and Beulah Schetrompf.

Mr. and Mrs. Mapel Winters and the former's mother Mrs. Catherine Winters, near Dott, motored to McConnellsburg last Saturday.

## AROUND THE WORLD.

The Grinnell (Iowa) Herald Tells of the Arrival in Iowa of Charlie Pittman and Wife.

"Seven years ago," says the Herald, "Rev. Charles R. Pittman, a native of McConnellsburg, Pa., concluded a visit at the home of his sister Alice, Mrs. W. H. McNeil, in Searsboro, and started east from Grinnell. A few days ago he reached Grinnell again on his way to the McNeil home in Searsboro, but this time he came from the west. In those seven years he had just completed a tour of the world. He had done more than that, for most of his time in the interval had been spent in Tabriz, Persia, where he is stationed as a missionary of the Presbyterian church.

"Mr. Pittman left Tabriz on June 26, with Mrs. Pittman, who is now visiting in Wichita, but will be here in a few days. They chose to return by way of Siberia and China, rather than face the submarine haunted waters of the Atlantic and so they came first to Petrograd and from there crossed Siberia as far as Harbin and from there went to Mukden, both familiar names from the Russo-Japanese war. They took a side trip to Peking, then returned to Mukden, went down through Korea, across to Yokohama and sailed from there for this country on a Dutch steamer, completing the voyage safely.

"They had a very interesting experience in the new republic of Russia, being in Petrograd at the same time that the United States commission, headed by Elihu Root, was there. Mr. Pittman saw "the battalion of death," the organization of young women which has seen actual service in the Russian army. He was present at a public service in their honor before they went to the front.

"In Persia, the influence of the great war has been felt, though comparative quiet has reigned in Tabriz, and will continue to reign as long as Russia holds the frontier. However, the missionaries have had much relief work to do among the Armenians and Syrians, administering the sums sent out by the American, Syrian and Armenian Relief commission.

## No Slack in Auto-Buying.

Despite the many demands for necessities of home and farm and business and despite the high prices for everything and the present and future advanced price of gasoline and repairs, the sales of automobiles in town, city and village agency does not seem to lessen. New and second-hand sales are plentiful and one of the easy things now-a-days is to sell a second-hand automobile. It is said, also, that farmers have become the largest purchasers of autos—are buying them right along. It is also noticed that they are buying auto trucks and making good use of them. The family horse, the one that goes to the creamery and store, will soon be a matter of the past.

## A Prosperous Year.

Whatever of gloom there may be cast over our country on account of the great war, as a nation we need to be thankful for the way in which the "earth has yielded forth her increase." Statistics show that our country has been favored with a bumper crop of corn of 3,210,000,000 bushels, which compares with the previous high record of 3,124,000,000. Our wheat crop was 659,000,000 bushels, or 20,000,000 bushels in excess of last year, but considerably below the record. The quality of the wheat is exceedingly fine, and every bushel that can possibly be spared will be required by our Allies. For wheat, corn, oats and cotton the prices are extraordinarily high, and our farmers will revel this season in a prosperity never before equalled or even dreamed.

**"DR." KHARAS IN JAIL.**  
Promoter of Hustontown Bank in Matrimonial Entanglements. Gets Eight Months in Dauphin County Prison.

One hundred dollars and costs and eight months in the County prison was the sentence pronounced upon "Doctor" Theodore Kharas as he stood before Judge Kunkel in the Dauphin County court last Friday morning.

The self-styled "doctor" who has gained notoriety in this and other counties as a "promoter" of stock corporations of various kinds, chiefly banks, overlooked the fact that he had one wife living when he tried to live with another woman as wife No. 2. He was convicted at the term of Dauphin county criminal court on a serious charge growing out of this oversight.

In sentencing the defendant, Judge Kunkel commented on the conduct of the "doctor" as brought out in the evidence of the case. He criticized him sharply for posing as a single man when the reverse was the case. According to the judge, a woman has a right to know the past history of a man she is about to marry.

During the argument of the case by the opposing counsel it developed that prosecution on a charge of bigamy has been instituted in the Maryland courts against Kharas, who married his second wife in Hagerstown, Md.

This is the gentleman, who as president and treasurer of "The Industrial Securities Company" of Harrisburg, led citizens of Taylor township to believe that the only thing they needed to make them happy and prosperous was the establishment of a bank at Hustontown with a capital of \$25,000.00.

This is some of the dope he handed out in the neighborhood to influence the taking of the stock: "It is more than probable that stock in The Bank of Hustontown will be worth in a year double what it can be purchased for now by the original stockholders." "A garment factory which will employ from 40 to 60 people has been promised to Hustontown, and it will have an annual pay-roll of \$18,000.00 to \$20,000.00.

For this magnificent stroke of public service to Hustontown and the community adjacent, Dr. Kharas, alias "The Industrial Securities Company, Inc." was magnanimous enough to put the Bank on its feet for the sum of \$2,500.00 (ten per cent. of the capital stock.) To make sure of his commission, he collected the ten per cent. from each subscriber as the stock was taken. Some of our local attorneys are now busy trying to recover the money.

It is another case of a well known proverb slightly changed, "He was a stranger, and he took me in."

## Wanted for Aviation Service.

Local recruiting officers received a telegram from the signal corps authorities asking that special efforts be made to obtain recruits for the aviation section of the signal corps. Men of practically all trades are needed in the service.

Fifty men are wanted at once at Camp Meade for remount service. Men who are fond of horses are desired. Men are also wanted in the national guard and in almost all branches of the regular army.

## Winter Course for Farmers.

Short courses in agriculture and home economics will be given this year at the Pennsylvania State College, beginning November 13 and ending February 20. Extensive preparations are being made by the authorities to handle a big crowd of farmers and their wives who are expected to attend for twelve weeks of study.

## About the Prices of Wheat.

To satisfy himself and to be able to furnish information to his neighbors, County Commissioner A. K. Nesbit wrote to Philadelphia for information and the following letter of inquiry and reply explain themselves:  
McConnellsburg, Pa.  
October 3, 1917.

Mr. Howard Heinz, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Dear Sir:

We would like to know what is the minimum and maximum price per bushel of wheat in Philadelphia which market, I believe controls the price in our section.

The farmers here are getting only \$2.10 to \$2.12 per bushel delivered at Mercersburg, Pa., or Fort Loudon, Pa., and we cannot understand why we get that price when the Government has fixed a price at \$2.20. We are advised that the present price in Philadelphia is \$2.29 and we think that is too much for expenses for us. The difference would be 19 cents per bushel and that seems too much for selling and shipping to so near a place as Philadelphia.

Please advise us what you think about this.

Yours truly,  
(Signed) A. K. NESBITT.

October 6, 1917.

Mr. A. K. Nesbitt, McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania.

DEAR SIR:  
Your favor of the 3d addressed to Mr. Howard Heinz has been referred to me. To obtain the price of wheat at any station, take the price in terminal market, New York, Philadelphia or Baltimore, whichever said point of shipment can reach to best advantage, and deduct therefrom the rate of freight and 1 cent per bushel commission, and you have the price which a shipment would net.

These prices must be basis of your dealing with farmers on the one side, and millers on the other. Your purchases from farmers are based on fair practices and a reasonable profit. Your sales to millers must not exceed the above mentioned FOB price.

I find Baltimore to be the best market which Mercersburg or Fort Loudon could reach, as rate of freight is 10 cents per hundred, hence from the Baltimore price should be deducted 7 cents per bushel, showing that a shipment, if the wheat graded No. 2 Soft Red, would net \$2.15 or if it graded No. 3 Soft Red it would net \$2.12 FOB car at these points.

The figures which you report farmers receiving seem therefore correct, and should be entirely satisfactory, as you must understand that the price of \$2.20 is for No. 1 wheat at Chicago and the price of this grade at Philadelphia No. 1 is \$2.27. All wheat is inspected under Government standards and I can assure you there is very little No. 1 wheat to be had anywhere.

Will cheerfully furnish you any information possible.

Yours truly,  
FOOD ADMINISTRATION GRAIN CORPORATION,  
2d Vice President.

## Return to Little Fulton.

From Hancock News.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. R. Spangler left Tuesday for McConnellsburg, their former home, where they will shortly be comfortably domiciled in a beautiful new home just completed for their occupancy. Mr. Spangler and family have been residents of Hancock for two years and more, during which time they were numbered among our influential and helpful residents. Mrs. Spangler has taken an active interest in church circles and has endeared herself to large circle of friends. They will carry with them the best wishes of our best people and may they never be too busy to make frequent visits to their old friends across the line.

## OUR TOES ENDANGERED.

Little Talks on Health and Hygiene by Samuel G. Dixon, M. D., LL. D., Commissioner of Health.

The present extremely high heels worn by the majority of American women, both old and young, means deformity of the feet.

X-ray pictures indicating the relation of the toes to the ground when they are encased in these high-heeled shoes, show that women are walking on the ends of their five toes. There is food for thought in the fact that the horse nowadays walks on a foot consisting of one toe, while in the more primitive animal there were three or five toes.

The shape of the natural foot of men has a great variety of uses and it is one of the things that has helped to place him first in the life of the earth. The natural foot has been one of the anatomical facts that has helped him to his present high state of efficiency. The form of that foot has enabled him to become a good hunter, a good farmer, a good sailor, a good soldier—in fact, anything he has found it necessary through the ages to become, or finds now essential for the war, we are fighting to continue our personal liberty.

Let the butterfly girls and the other high heeled old and young women stop and realize the value of the normal foot of man. Let them cut off the high heel and substitute the natural level. This might also work out to the interest of direct economy by using the surplus heel to make thicker soles on the shoes, which would be very sensible and practical for the climate we have in Pennsylvania.

Let us recognize the models of Nature which have led us to success. If man's foot had been abused for an indefinite time in a way to have reduced it to a one-toed foot, resembling the horse's, he would have a hard time trying to fulfil his present duties in life.

The high heel represents the fashion for the woman of today and means a great discounting of the value of mankind, particularly if it is continued a long time. The present high heel is not only torturous, but of great injury to the health. The mother must remember that she is partly responsible for the feet of her children and that if she wants them to have normal, strong feet, she must keep them naturally shod.

## Drive Right.

It is the privilege of every careful auto driver to feel that the other fellow obeys the law of the road also. In making turns to the left, the careful driver will swing a wide circle to the right instead of hugging the left curb. Let us illustrate. Autos passing the NEWS office in a easterly direction, and intending, to turn to the left at Trout's drug store should swing over toward Reisers' and Seylar's corners before turning toward the Court House. Then, if an auto should be going west, or if one should be coming down past the Post Office, each on the right hand side, as is proper, there could be no collision.

## To Enforce Game Laws.

Dr. Joseph Kalbfus, Secretary of State Game Commission, has ordered rigid enforcements of the game laws and the local papers contain weekly reports of prosecutions. He said "We have been spending money to increase and protect the game in the state and we do not propose to allow people to kill it out of season." It is neither manly, fair nor honest for one set of hunters to kill game out of season, or to kill more than the legal quantity. To do so is simply to proclaim the hunter an outlaw and he will eventually pay the penalty—no matter whether he thinks the law right or wrong.